GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:444
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UTILISATION OF MPLADS FUNDS
BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB

Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are a number of incongruities in the guidelines of the MPLADS which come in the way of implementing the proposals;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether places used for community purpose but falling under a registered society or religious institution are ineligible to receive MPLADS funds;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether ponds, tanks, library, rest sheds, etc. can be constructed on lands other than Government land;

(f) if so, the details thereof
(g) whether unregistered societies are entitled to receive MPLADS funds; and
(h) if so, the guidelines laid down in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION, MINISTER OF STATE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS AND PUBLIC GRIEVANCES IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DISINVESTMENT (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE)

(a) to (h) A Statement is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha.

Statement in respect of Parts (a) to (h) of Starred Question No. 444 to be answered on 18.04.2001 in Lok Sabha.

(a)&(b) From time to time Hon`ble MPs have drawn attention to specific Guidelines and pointed out how they are coming in the way of their sanctioning works that would be of benefit to the people. Suggestion for changes in the Guidelines are considered by the Committees on MPLADS Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha. Specific incongruities in the Guidelines, if any as and when pointed out by the MPs, are referred to the two Committees for their considerations and recommendations. Changes in the Guidelines are brought out on the basis of recommendations of the two Committees.

(c)&(d) The works belonging to registered societies and trusts have been included under the purview of the scheme subject to certain conditions, which were circulated to all the MPs on 23.1.01. Works relating to places of religious worship are not permissible vide Sl. No. 9 of Appendix-2 of the Guidelines.

(e)&(f) Ponds, tanks, libraries, rest sheds can be constructed on land belonging to Government. These can also be constructed for registered societies/trusts on the land belonging to them subject to fulfilment of conditions specified in the Guidelines. Buildings for educational institutions, including buildings for library can be constructed under the scheme on land belonging to them subject to conditions stipulated in para 2.6 of the Guidelines.

(g)&(h) Buildings for educational institutions can be constructed even if the institution is run by an unregistered society provided the educational institution is recognised and has been in existence for not less than 2 years.